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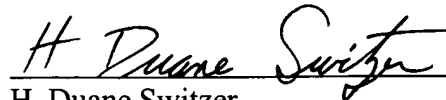
Sir:

The Office Action of January 27, 2005, indicates that the information referred to in the information disclosure statement filed 01/29/04 had not been considered. However, the Examiner initialed everything on the information disclosure statement except one Canadian patent and two literature items.

The Examiner has indicated by telephone that everything but the Canadian patent and the two literature items had been considered, and that copies of only those three items were required. Copies of the Canadian patent and the two literature items are enclosed.

The transmittal letter dated January 27, 2004, indicates that copies of each foreign patent and publication were enclosed. The cited Japanese patents were received at the PTO and considered by the Examiner, but for reasons unknown, the Canadian patent and the two literature items apparently were not received. In any event, additional copies are enclosed.

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Enclosures:

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Articles:

"Sewer Renewal by Insertion with Nipak Polyethylene Pipe," May 9, 1973, 4 pgs.

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